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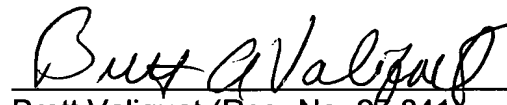
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After further review of the original Substitute Specification by the inventor, the inventor desired that certain improved translations be made throughout the Specification. Therefore a new, Second Substitute Specification is enclosed together with the marked-up copy showing changes made with respect to the first Substitute Specification. Changes also made at page 13 adding a date to the prior art reference and further explanation was provided at page 71. This addition is fully supported by the context of the Specification.

After reviewing the claims submitted in the first Substitute Specification, the inventor requested that the claims be broadened somewhat and this has been done in the newly presented claims.

A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is also enclosed.

Respectfully submitted by,

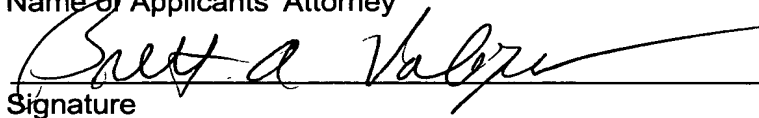


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